

IN THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-7 (*Canceled*)

Claim 8 (*Currently Amended*): An add-on safety harness for vehicles having at least a lap belt and an anchor point, comprising:

a seat anchor strap having a first end and a second end, a clip-on fastener coupled to said first end;

a pair of harness straps extending from said second end, and extending from opposite sides of said anchor strap at an angle, each said harness strap having a length, a proximate end fixedly attached to said anchor strap and a distal end ending in a loop, whereby forming an inverted Y-shape; and

an adjustment device, disposed on each harness strap, designed and configured to adjust the length of each said harness strap; wherein said clip-on fastener is ~~releasibly~~ releasably attached to an anchor point of the vehicle; one end of a lap belt of the vehicle is being threaded through said loops of said harness straps, whereby a passenger is secured into the vehicle seat, and said adjustment device is used to adjust the tension length of said harness straps; and,

anchoring means for releasable engagement with said clip-on fastener, said anchoring means being positioned at said anchoring point, said anchoring point being located at a position selected from the group consisting of: a floor region positioned

beneath said vehicle seat and a lower portion of a seatback of said vehicle seat, wherein said vehicle seat is a school bus seat.

Claim 9 (*Currently Amended*): The add-on safety harness according to claim 8, further including a strip of soft material having hook and loop fastening material attached to each said harness strap, in proximity to each adjustment device, said strip of soft material ~~releasibly~~ releasably surrounding each said adjuster device.

Claim 10 (*Canceled*)

Claim 11 (*Original*): The add-on safety harness according to claim 8, further including an additional rigid member having a first portion, a second portion, a first mating fastener part coupled to said first portion, a second mating fastener part coupled to said second portion;

wherein said additional rigid member is disposed around the pair of harness straps for maintaining the pair of harness straps in a proximal position about the chest of the passenger of a vehicle.

Claim 12 (*Currently Amended*): An add-on safety harness kit for vehicle seats having at least a lap belt comprising:

an anchor strap having a first end and a second end, a clip-on fastener coupled to said first end;

a pair of harness straps extending from said second end, and extending from opposite sides of said anchor strap at an angle, each said harness strap having a length, a proximate end fixedly attached to said anchor strap and a distal end ending in a loop, whereby forming an inverted Y-shape;

an adjustment device, disposed on each harness strap, designed and configured to adjust the length of each said harness strap; and

hardware for adapting a portion of a vehicle to define an anchor point, said hardware including at least a bolt, a first washer, an angled plate having an eyelet and a bolt hole, a second washer, and a nut, said angled plate being mounted to the vehicle using said bolt through said bolt hole, said first washer, said second washer, and said nut; wherein said clip-on fastener is releasibly attached to said eyelet of said angled plate; one end of a the lap belt of the vehicle is threaded through said loops of said harness straps, whereby a passenger is secured into the vehicle seat, and said adjustment device is used to adjust the tension length of said harness straps, said hardware being positioned at said anchoring point, said anchoring point being located at a position selected from the group consisting of: a floor region positioned beneath said vehicle seat and a lower portion of a seatback of said vehicle seat, wherein said vehicle seat is a school bus seat.

Claim 13 (*Currently Amended*): The add-on safety harness kit according to claim 12, further including a strip of soft material having hook and loop fastening material attached

to each said harness strap, in proximity to each adjustment device, said strip of soft material ~~releasibly~~ releasably surrounding each said adjuster device.

Claim 14 (*Canceled*)

Claim 15 (*Original*): The add-on safety harness according to claim 12, further including an additional rigid member having a first portion, a second portion, a first mating fastener part coupled to said first portion, a second mating fastener part coupled to said second portion;

wherein said additional rigid member is disposed around the pair of harness straps for maintaining the pair of harness straps in a proximal position about the chest of the passenger of a vehicle.

Claim 16 (*Original*): The add-on safety harness kit according to claim 12, wherein said clip-on fastener is fixedly attached to said first end of said anchor strap.

Claim 17 (*Original*): The add-on safety harness kit according to claim 12, wherein said clip-on fastener is slidably attached to said first end of said anchor strap, wherein the length of the anchor strap is adjustable.

Claims 18-20 (*Canceled*)